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C O N F I D E N T I A L CAIRO 1965

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAIR EG US

SUBJECT: CIVIL AVIATION: TWA RESTRICTIONS ON ACCEPTANCE OF
PL-480 EGYPTIAN POUNDS

REF: CAIRO 1779

1. DCM WAS INFORMED FEBRUARY 13 BY TWA MANAGER CARROLL THAT HIS REQUEST TO DELAY, UNTIL MARCH 1, APPLICATION OF TWA RESTRICTIONS REGARDING ACCEPTANCE OF PL-480 EGYPTIAN POUNDS IN PAYMENT OF AIRLINE TICKETS, WAS DENIED BY TWA TREASURER NY. THEREFORE, AS OF THIS DATE (FEBRUARY 13), EGYPTIAN POUNDS (E) WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED IN PAYMENT FOR AIR TRAVEL ORIGINATING IN CAIRO. THIS WILL INCLUDE ROUND TRIP TRAVEL. SAME RESTRICTION APPLIES TO FREIGHT.

2. CARROLL SAID TELEX RECEIVED FROM NY REPORTED TWA HAD BEEN IN TOUCH WITH DEPARTMENT AND AGREED IT WOULD RECONSIDER APPROPRIATE PROGRAMS ON INDIVIDUAL BASIS. HOWEVER, IN GENERAL, TWA INTENDED TO HOLD LINE ON THIS ACTION AND DEPARTMENT FULLY UNDERSTOOD THIS.

3. THUS EMBASSY WILL NO LONGER BE ABLE TO PURCHASE TICKETS FOR ENTIRE TRAVEL OF PERSONNEL DEPARTING FROM NEIGHBORING
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POSTS TRANSITING CAIRO ON WAY TO DESTINATION.

4. REQUEST DEPARTMENT CIRCULARIZE THIS INFORMATION
TO ALL APPROPRIATE POSTS AND TO ALL AFFECTED USG AGENCIES.

5. SINCE THIS RESTRICTION WILL HAVE MAJOR IMPACT
ON SPECIAL FOREIGN CURRENCY FUND PROJECTS AND
NUMBER OF IMPORTANT JOINT WORKING GROUP PROGRAMS
ALREADY SCHEDULED, SUGGEST DEPARTMENT EXPLORE
POSSIBILITY OF TRAVEL PAID FOR BY EGYPTIAN POUNDS
ON PAN AM, WITH ONGOING CONNECTION TO CAIRO.
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